

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Steve Heitmann

Appl. No. 09/482,679
Confirmation No. 7334

Filed: January 14, 2000

For: APPARATUS FOR MAKING A
STREAM OF TOBACCO SHREDS

Art Unit: 1731

Examiner: Carlos N. Lopez

Atty. Docket No. 31653-152135

Customer No.



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PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

Response To Notice To File Missing Parts

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
BOX MISSING PARTS

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated May 16, 2002, submitted herewith are the following:

Official fees:

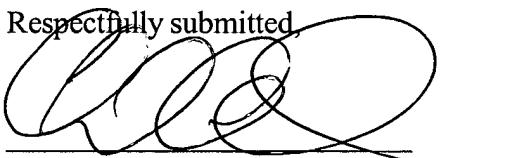
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Surcharge \$130.00

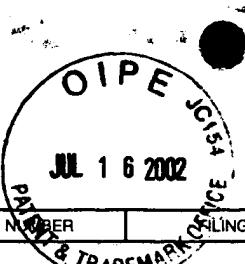
Total fees enclosed: \$870.00

Should no remittance be attached, or should any greater or lesser fee be required, please charge or credit our Account No. 22-0261 and advise us accordingly. A copy of the Notice is attached.

Date: 07/16/02

Respectfully submitted,


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NOTICE TO FILING MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION (CPA)
Filing Date Granted

The Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) request filed on 5-10-02 is entitled to a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(d)(1). The CPA request, however, lacks the filing fee(s) and/or items indicated below.

Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file the fee(s), item(s), and any surcharge required below to avoid abandonment of this CPA. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The total amount owed by applicant is the sum of items 1(a) or (b), 2, and 3 (if checked) below.

1. The statutory basic filing fee is:
 missing.
 insufficient.

(a) Applicant must submit \$ 740.00 to complete the basic filing fee and the \$130.00 surcharge set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) (non-small entity), or \$ _____ to complete the basic filing fee as a small entity and the \$65.00 surcharge set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) and file a small entity statement under 37 CFR 1.27 claiming such status (if the prior application was entitled to small entity status and such status is still proper and desired, a new small entity statement is not required (37 CFR 1.28)).

(b) Applicant must submit \$ _____ to complete the basic filing fee as a small entity and the \$65.00 surcharge set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e).

2. Additional claim fees of
\$ _____ (non-small entity) or \$ _____ (small entity) for _____ independent claims over 3.
\$ _____ (non-small entity) or \$ _____ (small entity) for _____ claims over 20.
\$ _____ (non-small entity) or \$ _____ (small entity) for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

3. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21 (m)).
 4. The CPA request is unsigned. Applicant must file a signed duplicate or ratification of the CPA request.
 5. Other: _____

A copy of this Notice MUST be returned with the reply.

Direct the reply and any questions about this Notice to:

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